

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI
OXFORD DIVISION**

CURLEY LEE HUNTER

PETITIONER

v.

No. 3:24-cv-00232-MPM-DAS

BURL CAIN

RESPONDENT

ORDER DIRECTING STATE TO RESPOND

Curley Lee Hunter has filed a petition for a writ of *habeas corpus* under 28 U.S.C. § 2254 It is **ORDERED:**

1. No later than May 8, 2025, the respondent, through Lynn Fitch, the Attorney General of the State of Mississippi, must file an answer to this petition, along with full transcripts of all proceedings in the state courts of Mississippi arising from the charges of sexual assault and burglary and escape out of the Circuit Court of Tate County, Mississippi (to the extent such transcripts are relevant to the State's response).

2. Within 14 days of service upon him of a copy of respondent's answer, petitioner may file his traverse or reply to the allegations contained in such answer.

3. The clerk of this court will serve by email (Return Receipt, High Importance) a copy of the petition, this order, acknowledgment of service of process form, and any other initial filings, upon Lynn Fitch, Attorney General of the State of Mississippi, or her lawful successor, to Assistant Attorneys General Jerrolyn Owens and Bridgette Grant. The respondent must electronically file the

completed acknowledgment of service of process form upon receipt.

Petitioner is warned that failure to keep this court informed of his current address could also lead to dismissal of his lawsuit.

SO ORDERED, this, the 5th day of February, 2025.

s/ David A. Sanders

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE